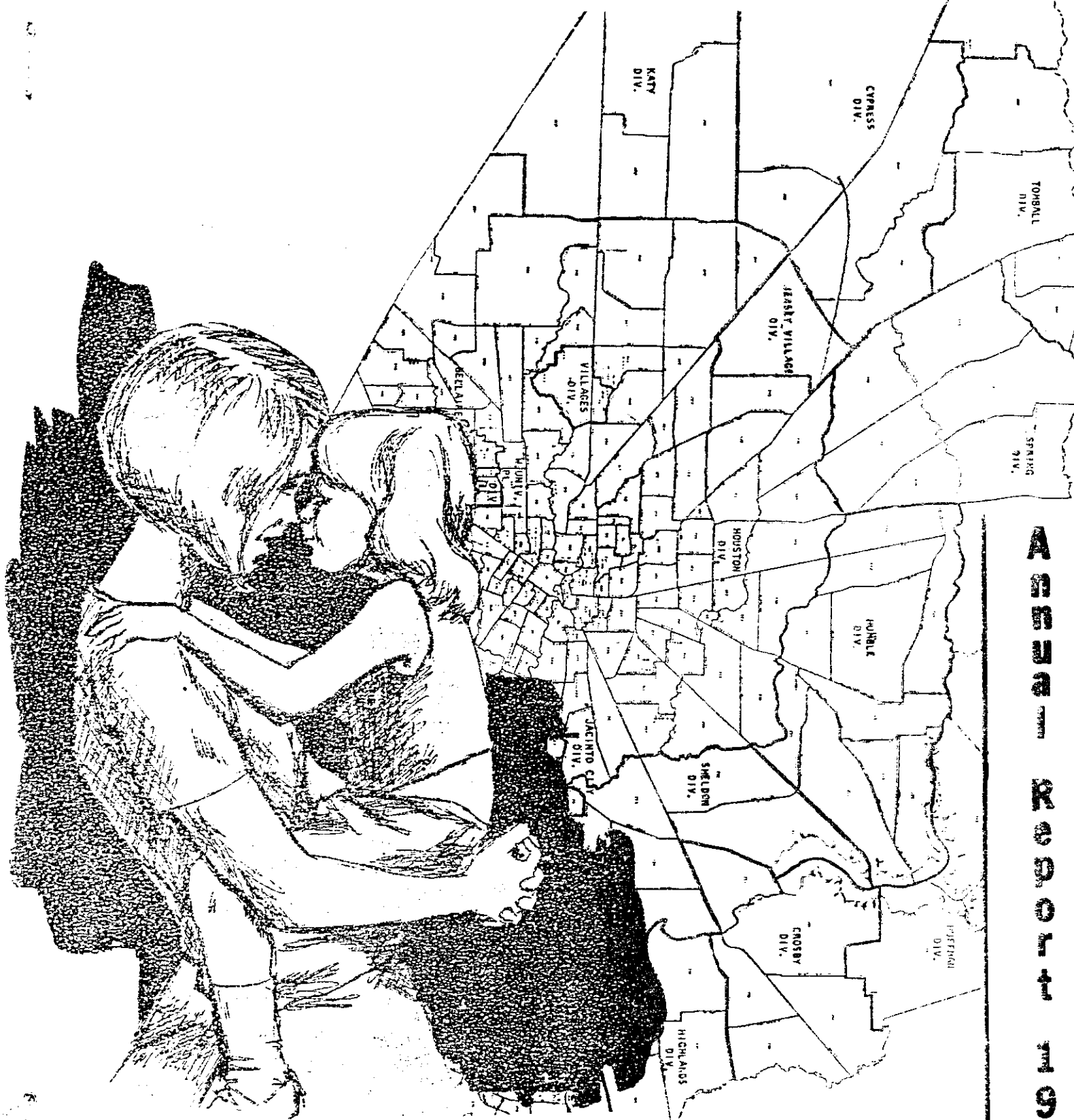


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August 4, 1975

TO: The Honorable Commissioner's Court
All Citizens of Houston and Harris County

The 1974 Statistical Report of Services is herewith submitted.

The picture presented, outlines numerically the reported youth offenses in our community and services provided by the Harris County Juvenile Probation Department. It does not represent the full extent of youth's problems in Harris County.

The constant objective of the Juvenile Court, the Juvenile Board and Department has been to develop Community awareness, working with all segments of our Community in maintaining preventative programs.

This focus entailed decentralizing of Probation Services, the development of "In-Community Treatment" and mobilization of individual Community Resources. This endeavor has, in effect, just begun, although efforts have been ongoing for the past two years.

The effect of this change in service delivery will now be measured, and the Juvenile Justice System will be accountable for the children within it's jurisdiction. Concurrently, the Community's ability to develop its resources for youth will also be measurable.

At this point in time, we have the assistance and cooperation of the private and public agencies, many volunteer groups and individual citizens who work with us daily toward the goal of quality services.

These combined efforts are necessary to prevent and combat Juvenile Delinquency and we of Harris County are indeed fortunate in having involved and dedicated individuals and agencies serving our children and youth.



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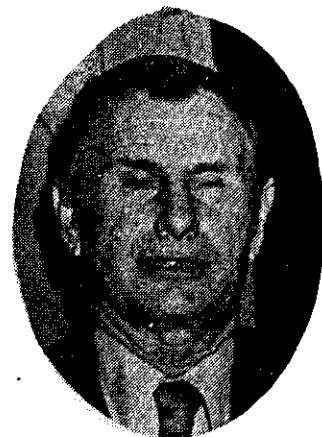
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HISTORY OF HARRIS COUNTY JUVENILE PROBATION DEPARTMENT

Concept of Probation

The term "probation" comes from the Latin term, "probare," which means to test or prove. The first Probation Officer in the United States is considered to be John Augustus, who in 1841 would put up bail for misdemeanor offenders, and win their friendship. He was a shoe cobbler and would put the offenders to work for him and provide for their daily upkeep. At a later date, he would return to Court with the offender for sentencing. The public was very critical of Augustus' practices, and accused him of threatening the public interest by securing freedom for the offenders.

The first probation law was passed in the State of Massachusetts in 1878; and in the city of Boston, Edward H. Savage was appointed the first official Probation Officer. In 1891, in the State of Massachusetts, a law was passed which required all Criminal Courts to have at least one Probation Officer. By 1900, there were five states which had laws which provided for Probation Officers: Massachusetts, Missouri, Rhode Island, New Jersey, and Vermont.

In 1899, the first Juvenile Court in the United States was established in Cook County, Illinois (Chicago). The laws providing for the Juvenile Court emphasized the importance and necessity of probation and indicated the social tendency to restoration of the offender to society, rather than removal from society.

Harris County Juvenile Probation Department

Prior to 1912, a Mrs. Love served as a volunteer Juvenile Probation Officer in the community of Harris County. In 1912, an official Juvenile Probation Officer was established by the Commissioners Court. The first Juvenile Probation Officer was J. Dixie Smith. Between 1912 and 1919, there were ten Juvenile Probation Officers in the community of Harris County. In 1919, J. W. Mills became the first Chief Juvenile Probation Officer, in which position he served for approximately thirteen years. In 1933, Mr. Mills resigned to assume various other responsibilities in the County Government. About 1954, J. W. Mills became the first Judge of the Court of Domestic Relations in the community of Harris County, and was assigned the responsibility of presiding over all juvenile matters. At the time of his resignation from Chief Juvenile Probation Officer, there were approximately five Probation Officers who were officed in the old Civil Courts Building.

From the old Civil Courts Building, the offices of the Juvenile Probation Department moved to Elder Street in the building of the old J. D. Hospital in 1933. From these offices, the Department moved to the present offices in 1958; and a new wing to both the Office Building and the Detention Ward was added in 1970.

INTAKE SCREENING

The Intake Screening Division of the Harris County Juvenile Probation receives all referrals from law enforcement agencies first. Intake Screening Juvenile Probation Officers are responsible for the initial contact. Our philosophy is to serve the best interest of each child and the community by making a preliminary investigation and determination. There are presently one Administrator, three Supervisors, three Lead Officers, fifteen Juvenile Probation Officers, and three secretaries who are now providing twenty-four hour service seven days a week.

The Intake Staff provides crisis intervention, evaluation and diagnosis of the problem, formulation of treatment plan, short term casework, information, and referral to other agencies. The Staff's objective is to improve the quality of service to each child, family, and the public. The Staff is under constant pressure, therefore, expertise is required of the Juvenile Probation Officers. The Staff is trying to develop a continuum of service to the child, family, and community in prevention, treatment and control working with other community agencies.

PROBATION SERVICES

AREA OF COURT SERVICES

PURPOSE

To provide for the Juvenile Courts, children and citizens of Harris County the best possible service at the Court level.

PRESENT PROGRAM

The Court Section is presently in a partially decentralized program. There are six Court Intake Juvenile Probation Officers assigned to CUPS I, II, and III. The remaining six Court Intake Workers are assigned to CUPS Units within the building and will be decentralized along with the remaining three Units. This will be done when money and staff permits.

The present program consists of team training for the purpose of preparing the Court Workers to become a functional part of a decentralized CUPS Unit. The team training involves team building, group participation, group decision making role, definition and understanding the "Area of Service" Concept.

The functional part of Court Services consists of the following personnel: One Chief Administrator; three Court Administrators; two Area Supervisors; one Lead Officer, two Court Representatives; one Detention Hearing Representative; twelve Juvenile Probation Officers; sixteen Probation Counselors and three Division Secretaries.

The Chief Administrator has the responsibilities for the administration in the area of Court. The responsibilities include acting as a liaison between the Department and Courts, and being available prior to Court for conferences with the Judges or Court Administrators. The position also carries with it the responsibility of assisting the Deputy Chief in the area of Court and in formulating policy and procedure.

The three Court Administrators are responsible in general, although there are other responsibilities, for relieving the Juvenile Probation Officer for Court appearances so that they may have more time to devote to casework. They act as liaison between the Probation Department and the Courts. They also attempt to create a better understanding and a better working relationship between Juvenile Probation Officers and Courts.

The two Area Supervisors are serving as both Area Supervisor and Unit Supervisor. They are Area Supervisors in that they act as resource person for all CUPS Units. Supervisors are in some cases directly involved in supervising the team at the Court level. They are Unit Supervisors in that they serve as Unit Supervisor for two Intake Court Units. The Intake Court Section is divided into two teams of six Juvenile Probation Officers. These Juvenile Probation Officers are also assigned to CUPS areas and they only receive cases from their respective areas.

The Lead Officer is the supervisor of the Informal Adjustment Team. This Team consists of sixteen Probation Counselors. They are responsible for offering whatever services are necessary at the Informal Adjustment level of Court. The Probation Counselors are all Volunteers.

The two Court Representatives are responsible for acting in the absence of the Court Administrator and as the Detention Hearing Representative. They also serve as members of the newly formed Crisis Team. The Crisis Team, when it is fully developed, will be staffed with senior Juvenile Probation Officers who will handle only Ward Cases at the Intake level.

The Detention Hearing Representative is responsible for representing the Juvenile Probation Officers at the Detention Hearings. This frees the Juvenile Probation Officers from having to appear. He also acts as liaison between the Referee and the Juvenile Probation Officers.

The twelve Juvenile Probation Officers are primarily responsible for doing the pre-Court investigation on all Intake level Court cases.

The Probation Counselors are responsible for offering service to the juvenile on the Informal Adjustment Contracts. This includes interviewing, counseling, or referring to other agencies.

The Division Secretaries are responsible for all staff services for the Division.

COMMUNITY UNIT PROBATION SERVICES

The Community Unit Probation Services is an experimental program of the Harris County Juvenile Probation Department with the aid of the Texas Criminal Justice Council, endeavoring to refine the service to the client and the Juvenile Court. This program is attempting to combine four concepts which has never been tried before: 1) developing a community model for service; 2) the team approach to decision making and delivery of service; 3) performing and operating in a decentralized, incommunity module; and 4) with true community and youth advocacy philosophy. This program began in November, 1972 and will be confined to specific limited areas for purpose of program development and evaluation. CUPS I Unit located and began actually functioning in the community in December, 1973.

The CUPS II Unit located and began actually functioning in the community on March 1, 1974. The team is located in a house owned by Neighborhood Day Care Center. The team works in conjunction with Ripley House, a multi-agency service center located in the second ward of Houston. The area composed approximately 60% Mexican-American, 30% Blacks and 10% Anglos.

CUPS III Unit is located in Pasadena, Texas. This Unit is in training. CUPS IV, V, and VI are still housed at the central office but will be moving out to the community in 1975.

FAMILY COURT SERVICES

The Family Court Services Division of the Harris County Juvenile Probation Department is one of four casework divisions which perform casework services in the areas designated as the responsibility of the Chief Juvenile Probation Officer of Harris County. The Intake and Court Intake Division handles all new referrals of a delinquency nature, and processes felony cases through the Juvenile Court. Probation Services Division provides supervision after Court, and is responsible for returning cases to Court if probation is violated. The Placement Division is responsible for arranging care if out of home placement is indicated. Therefore, the Family Court Services Division is the only Division which is not directly involved in the care and treatment of juvenile delinquents.

The Division consists of a Director, two Supervisors, two Secretaries, and fourteen Juvenile Probation Officers. Seven of the Officers are assigned to make adoption investigation reports and seven are assigned to custody investigations.

BUSINESS SERVICES

The function of the Business Services Division is the administration of all fiscal affairs of the various Juvenile Divisions under the jurisdiction of the Chief Juvenile Probation Officer; to act as advisor to the Chief Officer in all matters pertaining to budget and finances incident to the operation of Juvenile Divisions; to prepare annual budget of the Juvenile Probation Department and to advise and assist in the preparation of budgets of Juvenile Institutions; to initiate and approve requisitions for purchase; to plan, assign, and review the work of the Child Support Section; and to control work of supporting services consisting of payroll, inventory, microfilm, records and statistics.

COMMUNITY YOUTH SERVICES

Community Youth Services (CYS) is the delinquency prevention component of the Harris County Juvenile Probation Department. CYS is funded by the Law Enforcement Assistance Administration under a three year grant.

The goal of the CYS Youth Service Specialist is to work cooperatively with various school districts in providing alternatives to suspension. Rather than suspending students to the streets, the participating school districts provide an alternative classroom with supervising teachers.

CYS contributes a Youth Services Specialist to work on the individual problems affecting these students. The Specialist often provides alternative resources to these students such as placements for out of school and home, family counseling and work programs.

Typically the School-Community Guidance Center is staffed by a school administrator, teachers, secretary and the CYS Specialist. In some instances, the juvenile division of the local police department will contribute a juvenile officer. Additional support staff such as school psychologists, family counselors, and vocational coordinators provide backup resources to the students.

The preventive nature of the problem is reflected in the early identification of students that may be experiencing school related problems. Often seemingly minor presenting problems will reveal serious and multi-dimensional dysfunction as a result of continued investigation and counseling.

The Guidance Center approach to community problems has had several results:

- (1) The student receives full credit for work during the suspension period. Furthermore, the student is not rejected from the school system and has available other resources to refer to.
- (2) The parents of the suspended youth are assured that their child is being supervised and that the education program is being continued.

- (3) The school receives funds from average daily attendance figures. Although this return is helpful, it does not completely pay for the program. In addition, school administrators now have a resource for children disrupting the normal classroom programs.
- (4) The police and Juvenile Probation Departments receive fewer referrals from participating schools simply because the students are now accounted for and less likely to enter the Juvenile Justice system.

Community Youth Services is participating in programs with the following school districts:

- (1) Goose Creek Consolidated Independent School District (Baytown, Texas)
- (2) Pasadena Independent School District
- (3) Galena Park Independent School District
- (4) Spring Independent School District
- (5) Houston Independent School District
 - a. Black Junior High
 - b. Marshall Junior High and Davis Senior High at Casa de Amigos
- (6) Alief Independent School District
- (7) North Forest Independent School District
- (8) Channelview Independent School District

JUVENILE FACILITIES DEVELOPMENT

The Facilities Development Division began in December, 1970 as a Unit of the Special Services Division and became a separate division in May, 1972. The purpose of this division is to place delinquent children in substitute care by utilizing existing public and private facilities to the maximum extent possible, and to develop new foster homes and other facilities to meet the particular needs of the children that are served. The ultimate goal is to provide, not only quantitative, but qualitative service to the child in need of substitute care. In two years, the number of children in placement has increased more than three-fold. With the assistance of a discretionary grant through the L. E. A. A., steps have been taken to contract for additional services through existing facilities, develop one or more group care homes as alternatives to detention, and a half-way house for children released from the Harris County Youth Village.

PROFESSIONAL & PROGRAM DEVELOPMENT SERVICES

To develop and maintain a new and innovative training program to improve on-the-job performance and increase the personal and professional growth of all employees. To coordinate and conduct training programs for

volunteers and interns and administer library and in-community services.
To plan and implement the Gulf Coast Regional In-Service Training Project.

DIAGNOSTIC SERVICES

Diagnostic Services, a component of Special Services Division, provides a comprehensive range of medical, mental and related health care services for children that includes, a) pre/post diagnostic assessment and evaluation of children, b) quality care and treatment for children in custody. Services are purchased from community resources.

DENTAL

Two hundred eighty-six had dental work done at a cost of \$7,212.00 (\$25.21 per child).

PSYCHOLOGICAL SERVICES

Cases presented at Conferences	236
Number of requests for testing	323
Number of children tested	319
Number tests administered	1063
Intellectual assessments administered	322
Complete Psychological batteries administered	218
Number cases disposed through consultation	
without testing	96
Number group meetings held	79

MEDICAL

Total expenditures for medical and dental health care services for 1974 was \$34,623.21. Twenty one percent over the budget allocation. Two hundred fifty-seven children in placement received medical and dental care at an average cost of \$29.50 per child.

CHILD SUPPORT

This is the first year that statistical figures have been reported to and made a record of in the Annual Report for the Child Support Division. The reporting method for the year 1974 will be in a detailed numerical column format, while the 1973 figures will be given in a narrative form showing yearly totals only.

There were a total of 18,464 cases, active, new, and old, that were accepted, reopened and serviced during 1973.

The average monthly caseload was 12,149. This figure represents the number of children and wives that were active with the Support Section. The total number of children that received support during the year was 36,743 for an average per month of 23,760. Each year the total amount of monies collected and disbursed steadily grow. This can readily be seen, when comparing 1973's total of \$21,706,356.27 to the total collected in 1974 which amounted to \$23,384,740.32.

REPORT ON WIFE AND CHILD SUPPORT CASES

1974

	ACTIVE CASES		NUMBER PERSONS RECEIVING SUPPORT		NEW CASES ACCEPTED		NUMBER PERSONS INVOLVED		WARRANTS ISSUED	AMOUNT COLLECTED AND DISBURSED
	WIFE	CHILDREN	WIFE	CHILDREN	WIFE	CHILDREN	WIFE	CHILDREN		
JAN.	63	12,587	63	23,988	10	337	10	597	25,307	\$ 2,101,216.22
FEB.	66	11,787	66	22,640	16	338	16	610	19,643	1,652,256.41
MARCH	59	12,395	59	23,655	8	341	8	610	22,697	1,930,282.54
APRIL	62	12,448	62	23,782	13	315	13	599	23,382	2,007,056.23
MAY	48	12,500	48	23,968	9	317	9	615	23,412	2,012,178.16
JUNE	48	11,756	48	23,673	6	293	6	477	19,772	1,723,148.99
JULY	53	11,785	53	22,586	7	286	7	498	21,905	1,944,186.57
AUG.	98	12,165	98	23,281	16	373	16	681	25,853	2,217,689.21
SEPT.	96	11,647	96	23,307	10	326	10	572	20,811	1,835,646.95
OCT.	87	10,677	87	22,328	17	351	17	634	20,270	1,840,969.74
NOV.	56	11,349	56	20,856	11	330	11	616	22,756	1,988,355.32
DEC.	51	12,694	51	23,467	11	396	11	749	23,494	2,131,753.98
					134	4,003	134	7,258	269,302	\$23,384,740.32

NUMBER OF ACTIVE CASES ON JANUARY 1, 1974-----12,165
NUMBER OF NEW CASES ACCEPTED DURING THE YEAR----- 4,137
NUMBER OF OLD CASES REOPENED DURING THE YEAR----- 392
TOTAL OF ALL CASES DURING THE YEAR-----16,694

NUMBER OF CASES ACTIVE ON DECEMBER 31, 1974-----12,745
NUMBER OF WIFE CASES DURING THE YEAR----- 174
NUMBER OF CHILDREN CASES DURING THE YEAR-----16,520
AVERAGE MONTHLY CASELOAD-----12,049
WIFE ONLY----- 66
CHILDREN ONLY-----11,983

NUMBER OF CHILDREN RECEIVING SUPPORT DURING THE YEAR-----31,141
AVERAGE NUMBER OF CHILDREN RECEIVING SUPPORT EACH MONTH-----23,127

TOTAL AMOUNT COLLECTED AND DISBURSED DURING THE YEAR-----\$23,384,740.32
CASH ON HAND DECEMBER 31, 1974-----NONE
NUMBER OF WARRANTS ISSUED-----269,302

TOTAL AMOUNT COLLECTED FOR CHILDREN IN FOSTER HOMES AND INSTITUTIONS-----\$ 14,628.45
TOTAL AMOUNT COLLECTED FROM DIVORCE FEES BY DISTRICT CLERK TO HELP MAINTAIN CHILD SUPPORT SECTION \$ 59,426.50

VOLUNTEER - INTERN PROGRAM

The Juvenile Probation Department utilizes and encourages the local citizens to serve the children of Harris County in the capacities of volunteers and interns performing job functions similiar to and trained by the regular staff.

The "Felony Crisis Team" works very closely with those juveniles that are placed in the Detention Home, and figures quite prominently in decisions regarding whether the child should be released or should appear at a Detention Hearing. Once a decision is reached, they then complete the casework process.

Misdemeanor and decline to file cases are handled by another volunteer/intern group along with their other Intake responsibilities.

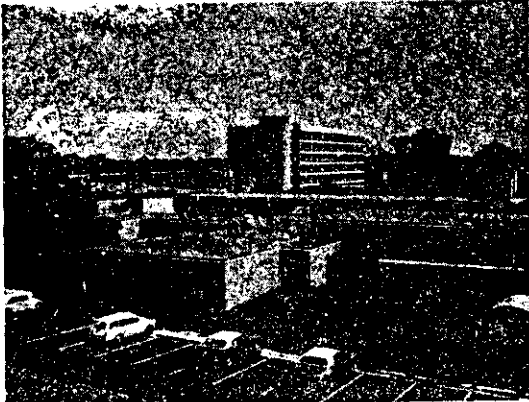
There is a third group that takes care of all the "Informal Adjustment" type referrals.

Long-term supervision is provided to the client by Field Services. These volunteers and interns work under a management caseload concept with individual probation officers providing the supervision.

The following statistical data gives some idea of their involvement in the juvenile program:

TOTAL CASEWORK HOURS PROVIDED BY VOLUNTEERS.....	47,895
TOTAL CASH AND GIFT CONTRIBUTIONS.....	\$18,017.50

HARRIS COUNTY DETENTION HOME



The Harris County Juvenile Home is in operation to serve the needs of any juvenile in Harris County requiring secure custody. The Juvenile Home is a round the clock, total care facility. Children between the ages of 10 and 17 are detained for a variety of reasons, as defined by the Texas Juvenile Code.

The Juvenile Home is located directly adjacent to the Harris County Juvenile Probation Department. This proximity enables a high degree of communication between the child and his caseworker/ Probation Officer. Children under the jurisdiction of other agencies are aided with liaison help from the Juvenile Home casework staff.

POPULATION

Approximately 110 girls and boys comprise the daily population, with a yearly total of nearly 6,000 juveniles. These figures

represent a constant turnover and an average length stay of 9-10 days. Children from many different socio-economic groups enter the Juvenile Home from one of Texas' largest counties. Law enforcement agencies throughout the county refer children directly to the Juvenile Probation Department for placement in the Juvenile Home.

The physical plant consists of five separate sections or wards. Children are separated in these sections by age, sophistication, seriousness of offense, and delinquent-non-delinquent behavior. Most children are given a private room, while others may live in a dormitory setting with roommates.

Each section has a school classroom where daily classes are conducted, and large recreation rooms used for indoor games and leisure time. An outdoor courtyard is utilized for group activities as are the lawns surrounding the main building.

Both individual and group counseling services are provided by the Juvenile Home. Children are seen daily by the casework staff and individual needs are handled on an individual basis. The casework staff also co-ordinates group counseling sessions with interns from local diagnostic/psychiatric associations.

Each child is routinely screened for medical problems upon his admission to the Juvenile Home. A full staff provides 24-hour nursing care. A doctor sees children daily and recommends appropriate care or hospitalization if necessary.

DAILY PROGRAMMING

A large part of the child's day consists of programming within the Juvenile Home. The programs include organized physical recreation for boys and girls, arts and crafts, sewing instruction for girls, the educational program, and a limited number of activities outside the Home.

A large and useful volunteer group conducts other activities such as the library program, visits from Planned Parenthood, a chartered Boy Scout Troop, health classes, and beauty and grooming instruction. A complete religious program is available for any child who wishes to participate. Occasional field trips are planned and children may attend a multitude of community events.

Children in detention may receive regular visits from their parents. Visits from other interested adults such as clergymen, school personnel and counselors, are encouraged.



DETENTION HEARING

The decision for detention or release is recommended by the Juvenile Court Referee and ordered by a Judge of the Juvenile Court. Daily detention hearings are held in the Juvenile Home. Each child is represented by court appointed counsel. If the criterion for detention are not established, the child will be released by the referee. Children who enter the Home are entitled to a hearing the next working day. All children must have their first hearing. Subsequent hearings may be waived by the child and the child's attorney. A child detained in custody is entitled to a detention hearing every ten days.

A hearing in Juvenile Court is set within ten days for children who must remain in detention.

Emphasis is placed on the child and his unique problems during his stay in the Juvenile Home. Every effort is made by the Juvenile Home staff to assure the child that he has not been placed in a punitive environment and that his detention is temporary, but necessary.



HARRIS COUNTY YOUTH VILLAGE

Harris County Boys School was established on a parcel of land of fifteen acres that was a part of a larger tract of 130 acres. This land was originally purchased by Harris County in 1912 for \$12,000.00.

The main building on the campus was erected in 1925, several smaller buildings were erected in the following years. The school served as Harris County's home for delinquent children until the early 1930's, when it was closed.

In 1936, the school was reopened as the Bayland Home for Boys, becoming a County institution caring for dependent and neglected boys of Harris County. The Bayland Home remained in operation at the Clear Lake site until 1952. At that time the Clear Lake facility was closed and the Bayland Home merged with the Burnett School for Girls. The boys in residence at the Bayland Home moved to the Houston facility of the Burnett School. The new school was called Burnett-Bayland Home.

The Clear Lake facility remained closed until January, 1955. At that time it was reopened as Harris County Boys School, a County institution for delinquent boys.

In 1965, the Harris County Juvenile Board decided that the time had come to start a major building program for the juveniles of Harris County. In order to have the funds for this project, a four million dollar bond issue was presented to the voters. In January, 1966, the citizens of Harris County passed the bonds.

The new facilities for the Harris County Youth Village, located on the rear portion of the existing Clear Lake site are designed to provide complete housing, educational and recreational facilities for 100 boys, as well as housing for a staff of 36 adults. Future plans call for this institution to become co-educational.

BURNETT-BAYLAND HOME

Mary Burnett School for Girls originated in 1914. After a long history of growth, it was combined with the Bayland Home for Boys in 1952. The Bayland Home for Boys at Clear Lake closed and the boys were transferred to the present location to form Burnett-Bayland Home. At present, this co-educational facility has space for 132 boys and girls ranging in age from six to eighteen.

Burnett-Bayland Home provides temporary shelter and care for dependent, neglected and delinquent children of Harris County ranging in age from six to eighteen years. This wide variance allows the Home to accept whole family groups, and although the children may be housed in separate cottages, they are enabled to make a better adjustment to institutional living knowing their siblings are nearby and are being well cared for.

Burnett-Bayland Home is a component of the Harris County Juvenile Probation Department and endeavors to work closely with the caseworkers assigned to the children. If possible, the caseworkers supply the Home with the background of each child to assist in helping the child accept and adjust to his new temporary environment. The Home in turn provides the caseworker with observations and progress of the child's home and school adjustment in order to assist them in recommending future plans for the child.

Burnett-Bayland Home tries to maintain a good reputation by participating in community and school affairs, so that the children may also have the good will and acceptance of the community.

Burnett-Bayland Home endeavors to nurture the physical needs and social well-being of the children placed in its care by providing adequate shelter, food, clothing, medical treatment, education, religion, recreation and sports, as well as training in good housekeeping and manners.

REFERRALS BY AGE, SEX AND ETHNIC GROUPS

AGE	BOYS				GIRLS				%
	WHITE	1973 BLACK	LATIN	TOTAL	WHITE	BLACK	1974 LATIN	TOTAL	
10	168	165	69	402	257	229	98	584	+45.2
11	204	237	101	542	330	334	120	784	+44.6
12	306	366	160	832	625	513	214	1352	+62.5
13	590	548	348	1486	1185	821	409	2415	+62.5
14	1034	762	497	2293	1650	1137	604	3391	+47.8
15	1560	819	544	2923	2276	1438	829	4543	+55.4
16	2186	1079	588	3853	2744	1572	904	5220	+35.4
10	35	23	7	65	71	50	19	140	+115.3
11	46	40	10	96	134	59	32	225	+134.3
12	133	79	40	252	356	152	95	603	+139.2
13	405	212	114	731	732	271	229	1232	+ 68.5
14	709	287	146	1142	1161	519	359	2039	+ 78.5
15	811	336	160	1307	1391	554	305	2250	+ 72.1
16	700	271	117	1088	1321	523	282	2126	+ 95.4

FIRST OFFENDERS

BOYS

	WHITE	BLACK	LATIN	TOTAL
1973	3947	2630	1538	8115
1974	5723	3660	1981	11364
%	+44.9	+39.1	+28.8	+40.0

REPEATERS

	WHITE	BLACK	LATIN	TOTAL
1973	2101	1346	769	4216
1974	3344	2384	1197	6925
%	+59.1	+77.1	+55.6	+64.2

FIRST OFFENDERS

GIRLS

	WHITE	BLACK	LATIN	TOTAL
1973	1841	837	403	3081
1974	3667	1520	971	6158
%	+82.8	+81.6	+140.9	+99.8

REPEATERS

	WHITE	BLACK	LATIN	TOTAL
1973	998	411	191	1600
1974	1499	608	350	2457
%	+50.2	+47.9	+83.2	+53.5

FIRST OFFENDERS

BOYS/GIRLS

	WHITE	BLACK	LATIN	TOTAL
1973	5788	3467	1941	11196
1974	9390	5180	2952	17522
%	+62.2	+49.4	+52.0	+56.5

REPEATERS

	WHITE	BLACK	LATIN	TOTAL
1973	3099	1757	960	5816
1974	4843	2992	1547	9382
%	+56.2	+70.2	+61.1	+61.3

TOTAL REFERRALS

	WHITE	1973 BLACK	LATIN	TOTAL
1st Offenders	5788	3467	1941	11196
2nd Offenders	3099	1757	960	5816
Totals	8887	5224	2901	17012
	WHITE	1974 BLACK	LATIN	TOTAL
1st Offenders	9390	5180	2952	17522
2nd Offenders	4843	2992	1547	9382
Totals	14233	8172	4499	26904
%	+60.1	+56.4	+55.0	+58.1

REFERRALS BY OFFENSES

	BOYS				GIRLS			
	W	N	L	TOTAL	W	N	L	TOTAL
HOMICIDE OFFENSE								
Aggravated Assault (Deadly Weapon)	13	13	1	27	5	2	0	7
Aggravated Assault(Serious Bodily Injury)	30	10	8	48	0	3	0	3
Assault	138	99	67	304	39	58	14	111
Carrying Weapon (Misd.)	21	28	7	56	8	0	0	8
Carrying Weapon (Felony)	6	12	0	18	0	0	0	0
Deadly Assault on Peace Officer	3	5	0	8	0	1	0	1
Disorderly Conduct (Discharging Firearm								
display of weapon in alarming manner)	133	84	35	252	12	11	0	23
Escape (Misd.)	9	5	4	18	6	1	1	8
Escape (Felony)	11	3	2	16	3	1	0	4
Evading Arrest	35	20	10	65	8	3	5	16
Kidnapping	1	0	1	2	0	0	3	3
Murder	1	3	3	7	1	3	0	4
Possession of Prohibited Weapon	37	43	20	100	11	9	4	24
Public Lewdness	9	19	5	33	0	0	0	0
Reckless Conduct	190	108	61	359	56	30	16	102
Simple Assault	11	2	7	20	2	3	3	8
Terroristic Threat	47	35	15	97	7	3	0	10
Suicide Attempt	5	0	2	7	12	1	1	14
Sexual Abuse	0	1	0	1	0	0	0	0
Indecent Exposure	1	0	0	1	0	0	0	0
Indecency with Child	0	0	1	1	0	0	0	0
Child Abuse	1	0	2	3	2	0	0	2
Assault to Murder	0	1	0	1	0	0	0	0
Other	34	41	15	90	25	25	14	64
ROBBERY								
Robbery (Injury)	6	12	1	19	0	2	0	2
Robbery (Threat)	6	12	5	23	2	1	0	3
Robbery Aggravated Serious Injury	0	1	0	1	0	0	0	0
Robbery Aggravated Deadly Weapon	14	13	11	38	2	2	0	4
Robbery Aggravated, Firearm	29	24	17	70	7	1	0	8
Robbery by Assault	15	19	5	39	5	1	2	8
Robbery	5	9	6	20	2	1	0	3
Other	18	12	9	39	5	5	2	12
FORGERY								
Forgery of Credit Card	3	2	1	6	0	1	0	1
Forgery, Personal Check	0	1	0	1	0	0	0	0
Possession of forged instrument (Personal Check)	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	1
Possession of forged instrument	1	0	0	1	0	0	0	0
Passing forged personal check	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1
Passing forged	9	3	5	17	5	3	0	8
Presentation of Stolen Credit Card	1	0	0	1	0	0	0	0
Possession of Stolen Credit Card	0	3	0	3	1	0	0	1
Unauthorized use of Credit Card	3	1	3	7	5	3	2	10
Other	15	6	12	33	11	5	2	18

BURGLARY AND THEFT	BOYS				GIRLS			
	W	N	L	TOTAL	W	N	L	TOTAL
Arson	42	11	2	55	4	4	3	11
Burglary	1132	739	332	2203	121	50	24	195
Burglary by Firearms	5	12	2	19	0	0	1	1
Burglary, Motor Vehicle	50	40	18	108	5	8	4	17
Burglary, Coin Operated Machine	102	71	33	206	12	17	3	32
Theft(felony)	72	41	11	124	18	14	7	39
Theft from Car/Truck(felony)	1	3	4	8	0	0	0	0
Theft from Car/Truck(misdemeanor)	36	20	9	65	2	0	0	2
Theft from Person	13	30	3	46	3	3	0	6
Shoplifting(felony)	4	7	4	15	0	0	3	3
Shoplifting(misdemeanor)	750	601	214	1565	768	375	151	1294
Theft(misdemeanor)	726	522	201	1449	351	142	56	549
Theft of Services	23	24	17	64	1	2	0	3
Failure to pay	1	9	1	11	1	0	0	1
Criminal Trespassing	211	189	91	491	46	25	24	95
Criminal Mischief(felony)	36	10	12	58	4	1	1	6
Criminal Mischief(misdemeanor)	333	219	139	691	40	21	16	77
Bike Theft(felony)	62	61	32	155	0	0	0	0
False Fire Alarm	10	18	10	38	3	0	0	3
Other	46	51	35	132	34	14	13	61
AUTO THEFT	BOYS				GIRLS			
	W	N	L	TOTAL	W	N	L	TOTAL
Auto Theft(felony)	144	98	37	279	16	6	4	26
Auto Theft(misdemeanor)	139	97	43	279	34	13	5	52
Truck Theft(felony)	9	3	1	13	0	0	0	0
Truck Theft(misdemeanor)	0	5	0	5	0	0	0	0
Motorcycle Theft(felony)	23	5	9	37	0	0	0	0
Motorcycle Theft(misdemeanor)	11	3	1	15	0	0	0	0
Unauthorized use of Motor Vehicle(felony)	9	0	1	10	1	0	1	2
Unauthorized use of Motor Vehicle(misdemeanor)	4	9	0	13	0	0	0	0
Breaking and Entering; Motor Vehicle	12	29	5	46	0	0	0	0
Other	7	12	12	31	16	8	1	25
NARCOTICS	BOYS				GIRLS			
	W	N	L	TOTAL	W	N	L	TOTAL
Investigation Narcotics	43	9	7	59	45	8	7	60
Possession of Marijuana(misdemeanor)	675	264	149	1088	287	56	26	369
Possession of Marijuana(felony)	10	0	1	11	2	0	1	3
Possession of Controlled Substance(fel)	6	4	0	10	4	1	0	5
Possession of Controlled Substance(misd)	18	4	5	27	63	2	22	87
Possession of Heroin	1	0	2	3	0	0	0	0
Sale of Marijuana	6	1	2	9	1	0	0	1
Manufacture of Marijuana	6	1	6	13	0	0	0	0
Sniffing Intoxicants	9	41	134	184	18	6	35	59
Other	9	12	13	34	9	5	6	20
VICE OFFENSES	BOYS				GIRLS			
	W	N	L	TOTAL	W	N	L	TOTAL
Gambling	2	54	2	58	3	1	1	5
Liquor Violation	47	7	20	74	21	3	9	33
Public Intoxication	308	128	201	637	182	67	77	326
Prostitution	0	0	0	0	3	7	1	11
Immoral	27	12	4	43	2	0	0	2
Affray	33	33	22	88	22	19	5	46
Other	19	26	22	67	24	14	7	45

	BOYS				GIRLS			
	W	N	L	TOTAL	W	N	L	TOTAL
TRAFFIC OFFENDERS								
Traffic	80	29	31	140	20	9	2	31
Hitchhiking	54	12	11	77	31	4	10	45
PROBATION OFFENSES								
Runaway, Harris County	1454	868	332	2654	1870	756	507	3133
Runaway, Inside Texas	123	22	24	169	126	17	15	158
Runaway, Outside Texas	121	11	22	154	113	3	0	116
Truancy	684	558	342	1584	303	150	120	573
CHINS	137	52	29	218	92	27	13	132
Illegal Entry	6	2	34	42	0	0	3	3
Probation Violation	44	30	14	88	29	13	5	47
Parole Violation	93	101	60	254	24	7	6	37
Protective Custody	48	47	15	110	20	8	1	29
Public Service	39	39	22	100	56	17	17	90
Assumed Name	23	19	7	49	26	14	5	45
Other	64	64	24	152	46	24	30	100

DISPOSITION OF CASES PROCESSED THROUGH JUVENILE COURTS

	Ct #1	Ct #2	Ct #3	TOTAL
Committed to Texas Youth Council	71	63	35	169
TYC Withheld				
Custody to Parents	27	54	27	108
Custody to Relatives	3	13	6	22
Custody to Others	1	0	0	1
Placement at Harris County Youth Village	4	5	11	20
Placement at Mt. St. Michael's	0	0	0	0
Placement at Gulf Coast Trade School	2	6	6	14
Placement at Vocational Rehabilitation	0	0	0	0
Placement at Drug Abuse Program	0	1	0	1
Engaged in Delinquent Conduct				
Custody to Parents	146	136	188	470
Custody to Relatives	25	18	26	69
Custody to Others	8	3	1	12
Custody to CJPO	33	0	0	33
Placement at Harris County Youth Village	22	34	33	89
Placement at Meadowbriar	2	5	3	10
Placement at Vocational Rehabilitation	0	0	1	1
Placement at Gulf Coast Trade School	5	13	11	29
Placement at Drug Abuse Program	11	18	26	55
Placement at Mt. St. Michael's	0	3	0	3
Children in Need of Supervision				
Custody to Parents	30	44	29	103
Custody to Relatives	7	7	7	21
Custody to Others	4	4	1	9
Custody to Child Welfare Unit	1	2	1	4
Custody to CJPO	8	0	0	8
Placement at Burnett Bayland	0	1	0	1
Placement to Other	6	0	0	6
Placement in Foster Home	0	1	0	1
Placement at Harris County Youth Village	9	21	12	42
Placement at Meadowbriar	4	9	3	16
Placement at Mt. St. Michael's	0	0	1	1
Placement at Vocational Rehabilitation	0	2	0	2
Placement at Gulf Coast Trade School	1	3	3	7
Placement in Drug Abuse Program	0	0	0	0
Placement in Other	10	22	14	46
Placement in Foster Home	1	1	2	4

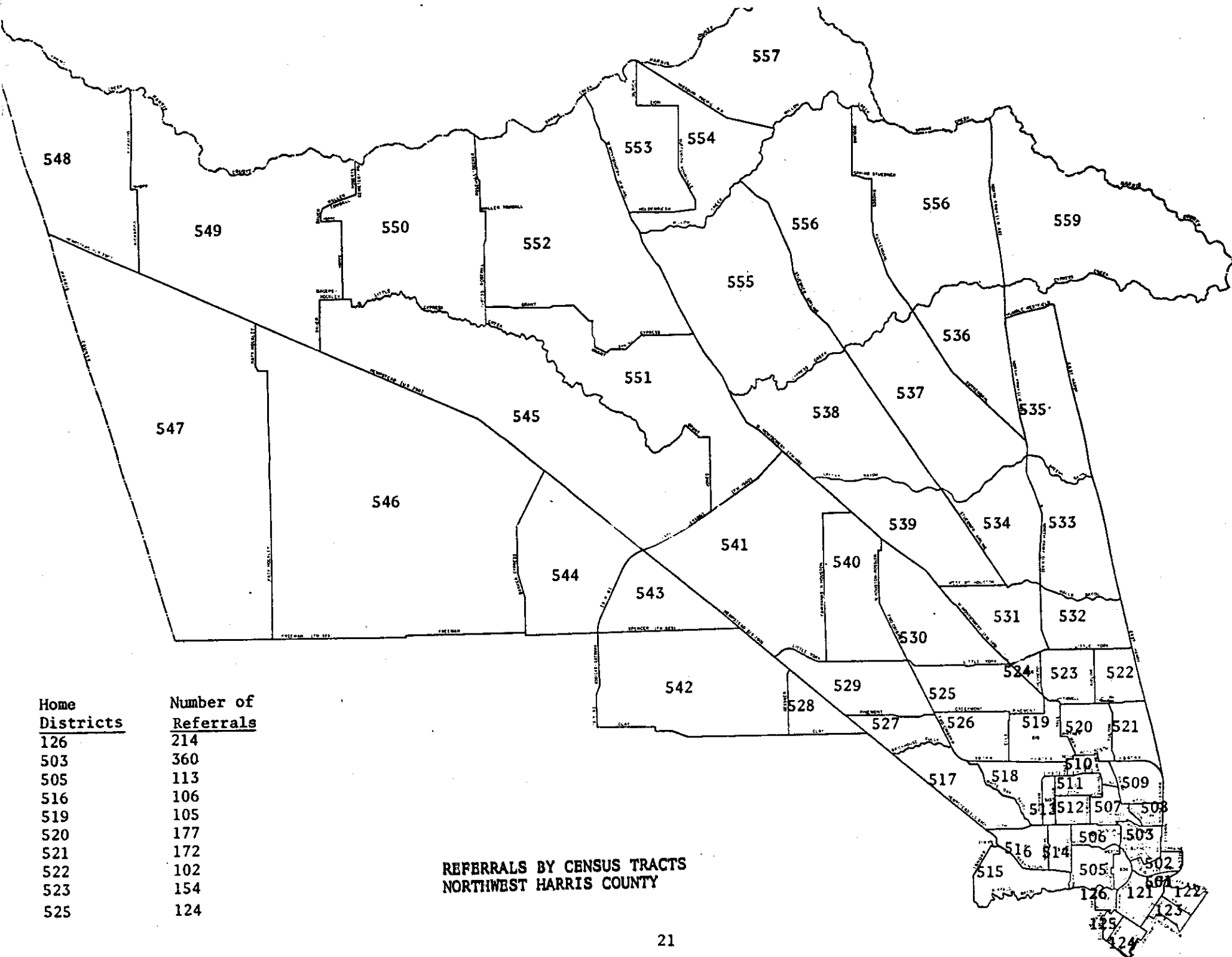
	Ct #1	Ct #2	Ct #3	TOTAL
Petition Denied	104	69	123	356
Petition Dismissed	251	530	321	1102
Reopened Change of Custody	105	98	86	289
Jurisdiction Transferred	0	3	1	4
Certified to District Court	11	2	0	13

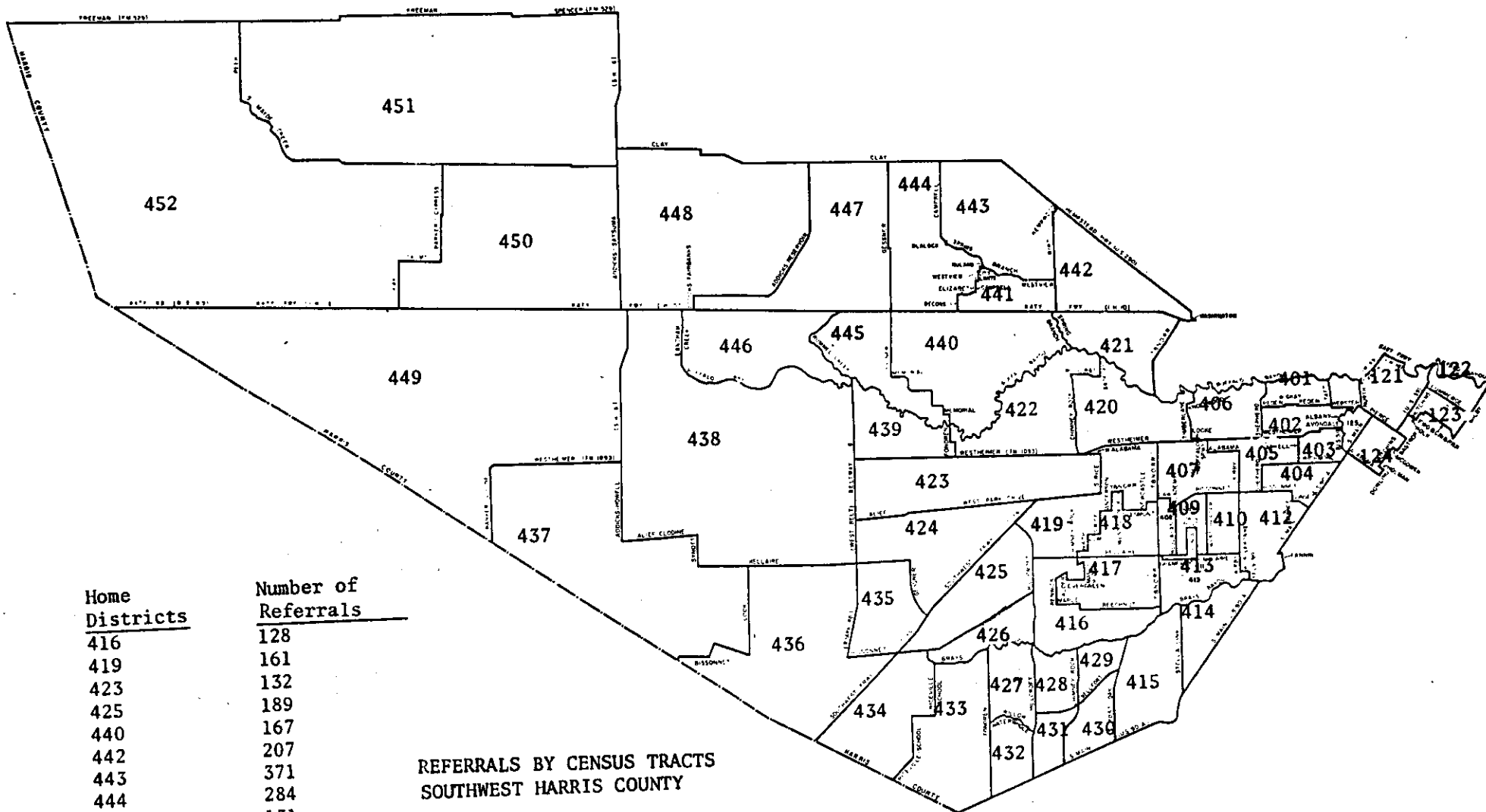
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Petitions requested to be filed	3625
Petitions, decline to file	1002
Petitions pending	1264
Petitions filed	2781
Petitions disposed of	1443
Petitions pending for disposition at end of 1974	473

REFEREE REPORT

Number of juveniles detained	1215
Number of juveniles released	473
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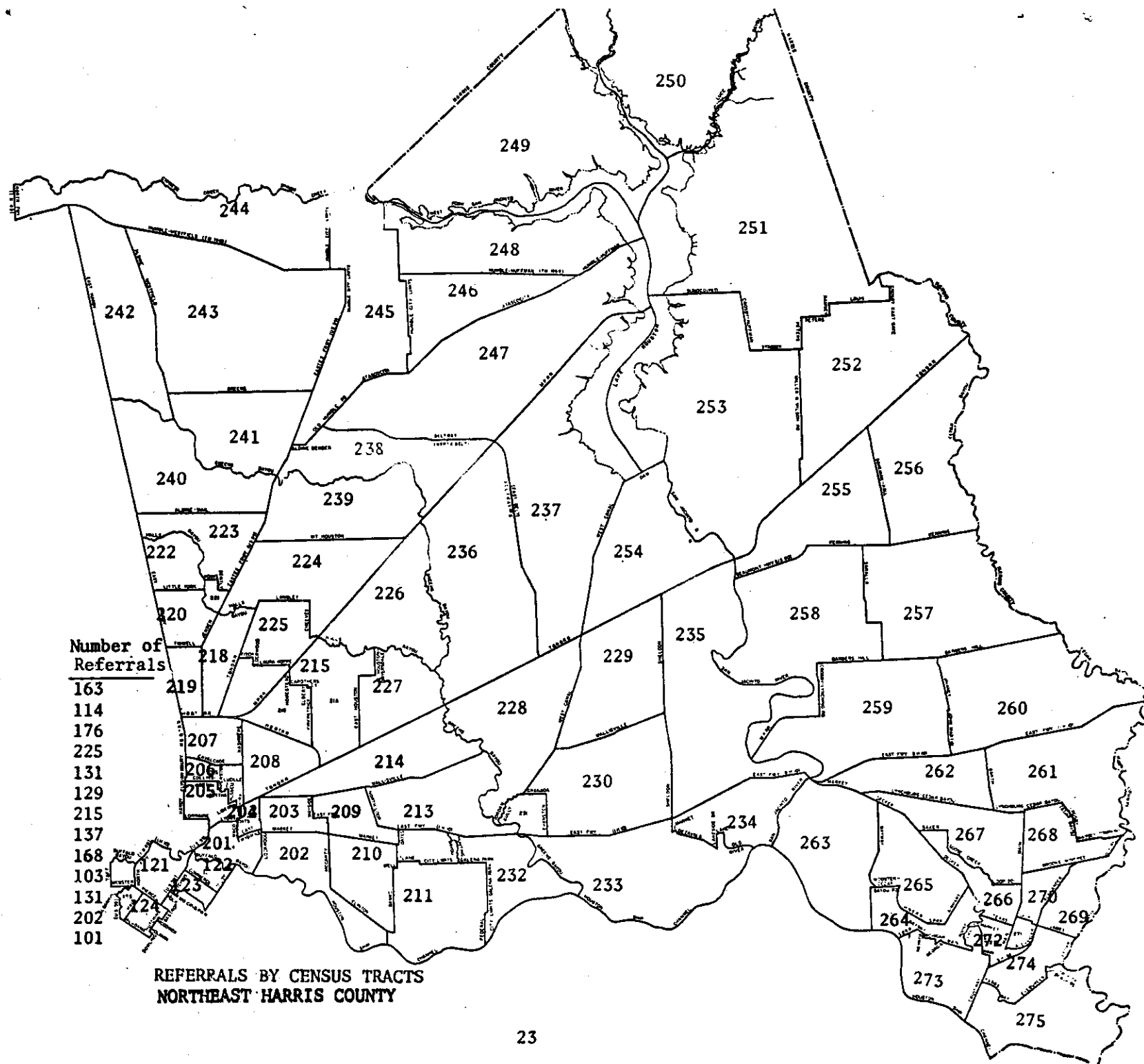


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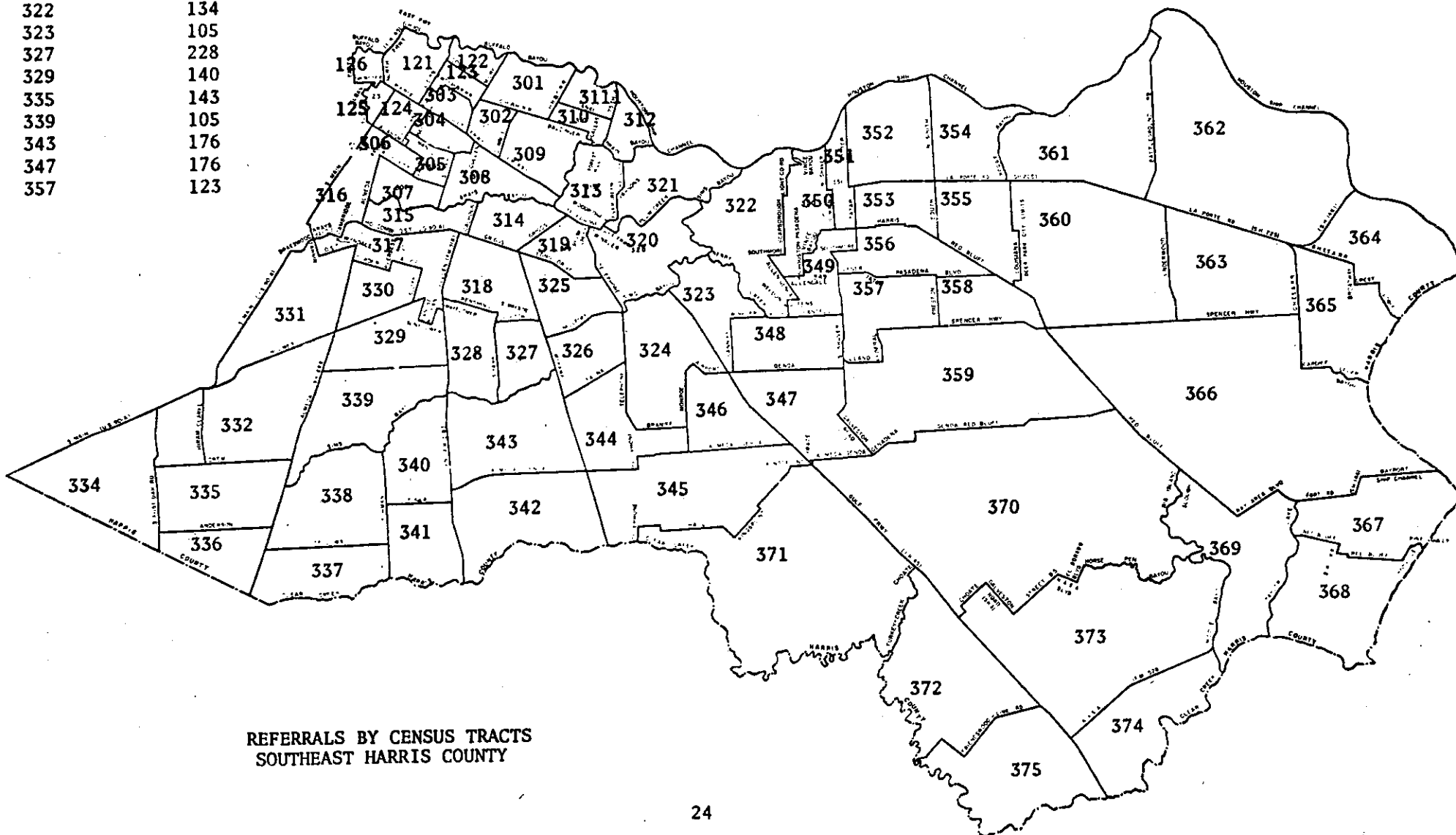
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**REFERRALS BY CENSUS TRACTS
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